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1. During July 1947, the Cegielski locomotive factory near Poznan produced 11 locomotives, 13 tenders and 10 passenger cars, in addition to making repairs.

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2. Because of a shortage of timber, Polish State factories have produced 10,000 concrete railway sleepers during the past twelve months. These sleepers were tried out on the main rail tracks at Sosnowiec (Q51/Y67) and on the Krakow-Macchow (Q111111) (238) line. As a result of these tests, the Ministry of Communications has now accepted this type of sleeper, and the "Wiblo-Beton" State factory at Dabrowa Gornicza (Y77) and other factories at Sosnowiec have been instructed to start mass production of concrete sleepers.

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3. The projected conversion of the Mikulczyce-Katowice (Y57)-Krakow-Przemysl (V55) rail line, together with all branch lines, from broad to normal gauge has been approved by the Ministry of Communications. Work on the conversion will be done between 15 October and 22 November 1947.

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Comment: Mikulczyce mentioned here is probably Mikultschutz, near Hindenburg and at the former German-Polish border.)

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